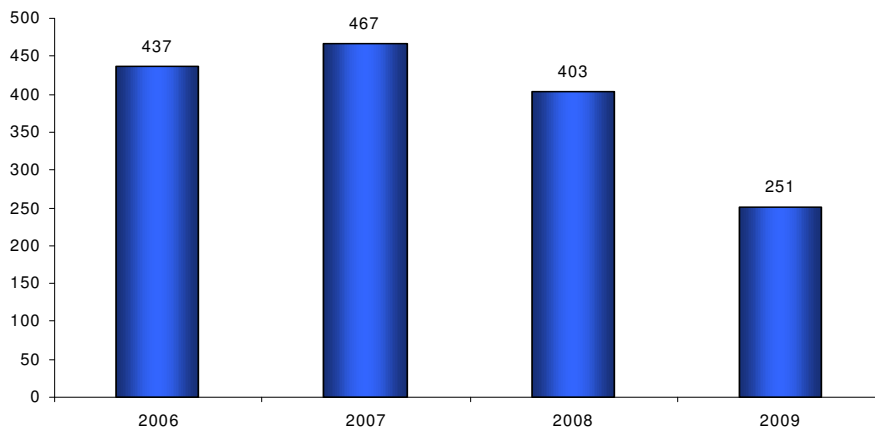


Harford County

Working to reduce violent crime in Maryland

Governor O'Malley's primary concern for the State of Maryland is to provide safety for its citizens. To date, Maryland has the lowest homicide and violent crime numbers in a quarter of a century. However, the real story can be told at the local level where the difficult work of addressing violent crime and supporting victims is done everyday. Over the last 3 years, through unprecedented federal, state, and local law enforcement collaboration, Harford County has seen a 2.8% reduction in total crime and a 4.6% reduction in property crime. In addition, there have been significant reductions in breaking & entering (-18.3%), and motor vehicle thefts (-42.6%) over the same 3 year period.

Harford County Motor Vehicle Theft Trends 2006 - 2009



HARFORD COUNTY MAKES AN IMPACT:

Governor O'Malley's Office of Crime Control and Prevention provided \$2,766,189 in grant funding to Harford County from 2007-2009 to prevent and control crime. As a result, Harford County has:

- Seized or recovered 262 guns
- Arrested 63 gang members
- Conducted 1,717 sex offender compliance verifications
- Entered 4,112 protective orders into state databases
- Prosecuted 50 violent crime cases

Now more than ever before, crime reduction depends on federal, state, and local collaboration. Real-time information sharing, more effective crime analysis, new technology, the strategic targeting of violent offenders, and improved community resources all contributed to Harford County's success.

Key Initiatives

- Heightened Supervision of Violent Offenders
- CompStat on Demand
- Crime Analysis
- Crime Mapping
- Digital Eyewitness Program
- Violent Street Crimes Initiative
- Gang Prevention through Targeted Outreach
- LiveScan/ Fingerprinting Technology
- Juvenile Crime Prevention
- E-Ticket Implementation
- CCTV/Pole Cameras
- In-Car Video Cameras
- Community Policing
- KIDS CAN Program
- Youth Leadership Community Council

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- **Harford County Detention Center (HCDC) Gang Intelligence Initiative** - Through a collaborative effort with other criminal justice partners, the Intelligence Unit gathers information on Security Threat Groups through surveillance, photographs, interviews, and special operations. This information is shared with other correctional facilities, law enforcement agencies, and other entities in the criminal justice community to reduce the incidence of gang activity within the county and throughout Maryland.
- **Crime Analyst** - The Harford County Sheriff's Office and the Bel Air Police Department share a contractual Crime Analyst who tracks crime patterns and repeat offenders in the Edgewood and Bel Air communities. This data driven approach helps police strategically deploy resources in order to deter crime and identify suspects.
- **Community Prosecutor** - The Harford County State's Attorney's Office assigns a dedicated Community Prosecutor to collaborate with local law enforcement, the Division of Parole & Probation, the Department of Juvenile Services, and the Housing Authority to use new and innovative methods to solve crime, increase community involvement, and prosecute offenders.



"We are working hard every single day to ensure that all of our State agencies are supporting local police departments and communities throughout Maryland in their fight against violent crime."

Governor Martin O'Malley

"While we are quite pleased with the Harford County crime data, we could not have achieved these results without our partners. This data demonstrates that when we work together, we can make a difference when fighting crime in our community."

Sheriff L. Jesse Bane